



COMMITTEE: Oneida County Fair Planning Team

PLACE: Curran Professional Park – First Floor Conference Room
315 S Oneida Avenue, Rhinelander

DATE: September 4, 2012

TIME: 5:30 pm

Committee Members Present: Tina Werres, Theresa Seabloom, Bev Nicols, Janice Scheeler, Denise Rheaume-Brand, Craig Mandli, Nancy Gehrig, Tom Peterson and Jim Perlberg

Excused: Michelle Wich

Absent:

Others Present: Greg Berard and Sue Glentz

MINUTES:

1. **Call to Order and President's Announcements:** The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Craig Mandli. The meeting was properly noticed and the facility is handicap accessible. There were no president's announcements.
2. **Approve Agenda for Today's Meeting:** After an amendment was made to change the date to September 4 instead of the 5th, the agenda was approved by Theresa, seconded by Jim. Motion carried.
3. **Approve Minutes of August 14, 2012:** A motion to approve the minutes of August 14 was made by Jim, seconded by Nancy. Motion carried.
4. **Resignation of Fair Manager:** The resignation of Tina Werres as Fair Manager as of Friday, August 31 was announced at this time. The public was notified via a news article in the paper. Tina announced she will also release an article of her own expressing her thanks and involvement with the fair over the last four years.
5. **Approve New Members:** No new members to approve. Tom Peterson is rejoining the committee. Two resignations were acknowledged. Janice announced her regret to resign her membership from the board due to a new job and personal reasons - however, she will volunteer to help next year. A letter of resignation from Julie Holperin due to family attentions was read. A motion to accept these resignations was made by Jim, seconded by Denise. It was agreed we need more board members on the committee.
6. **Financial Report:**
 - Approval of Contracts:** None.
 - Approval of Expenses:** According to a full update, it was determined that we don't have the carry-over like we had last year. We have approximately \$6,000, but \$4,000 of this will be needed to build a fence around the fair's inventory at Pioneer Park. The updated report is to be gotten from Kerri at UW Extension before the next meeting to be reviewed by the committee for approval. Tina Werres' salary is now open at this time.
7. **Recap 2012 Fair Event:** A suggestion was made to let people into the fairground at least 15 minutes before the official opening to fill the cul-de-sac so the ceremony can be viewed at the start. Some thought will be needed on this for next year.

8. Correspondence:

- A very positive Thank You was received from agent Liz Gregory, for using the RedHead Express.
- Notice was received from Jody McKeaney that the City Health Department wants direct water connections available to the vendors. Also, we need a proper amount of toilets per attendance and to place them around according to use.
- The committee was informed of some negative comments put on the fair's facebook page regarding the down-time of the carnival rides this year.

9 Team Reports: All team written reports have been received by the board and are on record.

Tina reported on the status of the office property as she ends her position with the fair. She has packed up materials, which also includes three file boxes and a computer, to be stored in the Curran Building closet and/or shed at the park. Sue Glentz, secretary, will take the computer to her home for the time being. She also advised the committee to look into early reservations at the Wisconsin Fair Convention in January at the Dells.

Tina read to the committee a letter in which she personally thanked all the many individuals and organizations who were involved in any way with the fair during these last four years, voicing her appreciation of treasured memories and personal connections made. Sincere appreciation was also given to her for all she accomplished with dedication, hard work and resourcefulness to make the fair the success it has grown to be. Many friends and co-workers attended the recognition event held after the meeting where she was given a certificate from Mayor Dick Johns, an award from the Ag Committee and UW-Extension, a plaque presented by Tom Rudolph, and personal thanks from Dan Kuzlik and Rep. Dan Meyer for her huge personal contribution to the fair.

- 10. Dates(s) of Future Meetings:** The next meeting will be at 5:30 pm on Tuesday, October 2, 2012. The place will be determined at a later date.
- 11. Public Comment:** None.
- 12. Items to be Included on Next Agenda:** To be presented at the October 2nd meeting.
- 13. Adjournment:** Jim made a motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Denise. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,

Theresa Seabloom,
Recording Secretary